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IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF
JOCHEN FINK ET AL

Group Art Unit: **1796**

Examiner: **Jeffrey C. Mullis**

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. **PCT/EP 03/06165**

Confirmation No. 3532

FILED: June 12, 2003

**FOR: GRAFTING OF NITROXYL TERMINATED
OLIGOMERS OR POLYMERS ONTO
THERMOPLASTIC POLYMERS**

U.S. APPLICATION NO: 10/518,873

35 USC 371 DATE: December 20, 2004

**Response Under 37CFR 1.116^a
Expedited Procedure
Examining Group 1796**

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 30, 2007, the following remarks are respectfully submitted for entry and consideration. The Action set a 2 month shortened statutory period for reply, making this paper due December 30, 2007. This reply is timely filed and no petition for an extension of time is required.

The Examiner is kindly requested to fully consider this response After Final. Applicants believe the claims are in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.